



IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant: **Bera, et al.**

Case: **8549/ETCH/DRIE/JB1**

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Group Art Unit: **1763**

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**TITLE: APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING GAS FLOW IN A
SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE PROCESSING CHAMBER**

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RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 4, 2005 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 3, 2006, please enter this response accompanying a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. PTO Form 2038 has been provided to charge the RCE fee and the excess claims fee to counsel's credit card account. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 all other fees, including any extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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